

260897



International Launch Services
Mark J. Albrecht, President

11/10/03
11-110-1-11500

FAA-00-7953-53

November 5, 2003

Ms. Patricia G. Smith
Associate Administrator for
Commercial Space Transportation
Federal Aviation Administration
800 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 331
Washington, DC 20591

Dear Ms. Smith:

This is in response to your letter dated October 17, 2003 regarding the FAA contract award to Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) and its subcontractor, Resources for the Future, Inc. (RFF), to perform an independent economic assessment of the cost impacts of the Second Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for FAA Licensing and Safety Requirements for Launch.

It is my understanding that Lockheed Martin representatives plan to meet with the designated SAIC and RFF points of contact in the near future to discuss this matter in more detail in order to better understand the scope of the proposed assessment. Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please contact Mr. Gerald Musarra, Lockheed Martin's Vice President, Trade and Regulatory Affairs, at (703) 413-5791.

Sincerely,

Mark J. Albrecht